

Property Tax Exemptions For Aged Urged

Property tax deferral for the senior citizen is a "must" according to Richard Nevins, Southern California member of the State Board of Equalization.

"A spectacular decision in the State District Court of Appeals in the Fifield Manor case gave property tax exemption to homes for well-to-do aged," he told the National Assn. of Tax Administrators at their annual conference in Seattle, today.

"Only the most expensive and luxurious homes will not qualify as being charitable," he continued. "This broad decision made only one of 137 homes for the aged taxable this year."

HE FURTHER stated that the lowest income senior citizen has his property taxes paid through the old age assistance program.

"However, the self-supporting or relation-supported elderly person living in his own home is now paying his own property taxes. He has no dignified assistance program to help him when he is in need. Yet, he constitutes the largest portion of the 450,000 California senior citizen families residing in their own homes. This group will increase to 570,000 in 1970," Nevins reported.

"To forestall radical changes in the State Constitution affecting the property tax," he added, "all remedies should be explored to preserve the basic spirit of the ad valorem property tax which falls on their homes."

THE CALIFORNIA state official advocated the development of a program by legislators and tax administrators to preserve the dignity of the individual—a program of property tax deferral limited to property owned and occupied by the aged person claiming the special treatment. "However," he cautioned, "tax-levying jurisdiction should not bear the full costs of the program."

He expressed opposition to tax exemptions because they have elements of charity for people who have not sought or required charity in their lives. To further this program, Assemblyman Augustus Hawkins of Los Angeles introduced HR 280 in the last session of the Legislature. As a result, an interim study of tax deferral for the senior citizen has its first hearing in November. "The Hawkins program has as its goal, removing of harsh effects of property tax for the senior citizens and preserving the integrity of tax base," Nevins concluded.

Polio Clinic On Sept. 23

Polio vaccine shots at \$1 each will be given in Torrance, Saturday, Sept. 23, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Del Amo Shopping Center, J. C. Penney Store, corner of Hawthorne Blvd. and Carson St.

Sponsoring the community service event are members of Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the March of Dimes.

Jim Cale, chairman of the project, urged parents to protect children and themselves against paralytic polio before the high incidence season in late summer and early fall.

Fast-Talking Salesmen Here, Firemen Report

Once again the Torrance area is being invaded by fast talking home fire alarm salesmen, the Torrance Fire Department warns.

The public was urged to be very wary of anyone who wishes to present a "fire prevention" talk in the home.

"This is usually the opening used for a fast sales pitch for an over-priced home fire alarm system," a spokesman said. "These salesmen usually imply that they are fire prevention personnel or work with the fire department in these matters. Nothing could be farther from the truth," he added.

"If you are approached and are in doubt, or have any questions regarding home alarm systems, please call your fire department," he said.



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